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UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

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Attorney Docket No. 71712 [50P4131]

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Title A SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR PROVIDING
PROGRAM STATUS INFORMATION

Express Mail Label No. EL591659791US

APPLICATION ELEMENTS

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents.

1. Fee Transmittal Form (e.g., PTO/SB/17)
(Submit an original and a duplicate for fee processing)
2. Applicant claims small entity status.
See 37 CFR 1.27.
3. Specification [Total Pages 22]
(preferred arrangement set forth below)

- Descriptive title of the Invention
- Cross Reference to Related Applications
- Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D
- Reference to sequence listing, a table, or a computer program listing appendix
- Background of the Invention
- Brief Summary of the Invention
- Brief Description of the drawings (if filed)
- Detailed Description
- Claim(s)
- Abstract of the disclosure

4. Drawing(s)(35 U.S.C.113) [Total Sheets 10]
5. Oath or Declaration [Total Pages 3]

- a. Newly executed (original or copy)
- b. Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d))
- i. DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)
signed statement attached deleting inventor(s)
named in the prior application, see 37
1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).

6. Application Data Sheet. See 37 CFR 1.76

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7. CD-ROM or CD-R in duplicate, large table or Computer Program (Appendix)
8. Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission
(if applicable, all necessary)
- a. Computer Readable Form (CRF)
- b. Specification Sequence Listing on:
- i. CD-ROM or CD-R (2 copies); or
 - ii. paper
- c. Statements verifying identity of above copies

ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS

- ✓ 9. Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s))
10. 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement (when there is an assignee) Power of Attorney
11. English Translation Document (if applicable)
12. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449 Copies of IDS Citations
13.
14. Preliminary Amendment
15. Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503)
(Should be specifically itemized)
16. Certified Copy of Priority Document(s)
(if foreign priority is claimed)
17. Request and Certification under 35 U.S.C. 122
(b)(2)(B)(i). Applicant must attach form PTO/SB/35
or its equivalent.
18. Other: Power of Attorney or Authorization of Agent;
Application cover sheet.

18. If a CONTINUING APPLICATION, check appropriate box, and supply the requisite information below and in a preliminary amendment, or in an Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76:

 Continuation Division Continuation-in-part (CIP)

of prior application No. /

Prior application information: Examiner _____

Group Art Unit: _____

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FEE CALCULATION

1. BASIC FILING FEE

Large Entity Small Entity

Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Description	Fee Paid
101	710	201	355	Utility filing fee	\$710.
106	320	206	160	Design filing fee	
107	490	207	245	Plant filing fee	
108	710	208	355	Reissue filing fee	
114	150	214	75	Provisional filing fee	
SUBTOTAL (1)				\$710.	

2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES

Total Claims	20	-20**=	0	X	\$18.	=	0	Fee from below	Fee Paid
Independent Claims	2	-3**=	0	X	\$80.	=	0		
Multiple Dependent					0	=	0		

Large Entity Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Description
103	18	203	9	Claims in excess of 20
102	80	202	40	Independent claims in excess of 3
104	270	204	135	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid
109	80	209	40	**Reissue independent claims over original patent
110	18	210	9	** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent
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3. ADDITIONAL FEES

Fee Code	Large Entity Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Description	Fee Paid
105	130	205	65	Surcharge - late filing fee or oath	
127	50	227	25	Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet	
139	130	139	130	Non-English specification	
147	2,520	147	2,520	For filing a request for ex parte reexamination	
112	920*	112	920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
113	1,840*	113	1,840*	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action	
115	110	215	55	Extension for reply within first month	
116	390	216	195	Extension for reply within second month	
117	890	217	445	Extension for reply within third month	
118	1,390	218	695	Extension for reply within fourth month	
128	1,890	228	945	Extension for reply within fifth month	
119	310	219	155	Notice of Appeal	
120	310	220	155	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
121	270	221	135	Request for oral hearing	
138	1,510	138	1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
140	110	240	55	Petition to revive - unavoidable	
141	1,240	241	620	Petition to revive - unintentional	
142	1,240	242	620	Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
143	440	243	220	Design issue fee	
144	600	244	300	Plant issue fee	
122	130	122	130	Petitions to the Commissioner	
123	50	123	50	Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(q)	
126	180	126	180	Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt	
581	40	581	40	Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)	\$40.
146	710	246	355	Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR § 1.129(a))	
149	710	249	355	For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR § 1.129(b))	
179	710	279	355	Request for Continued Examination (RCE)	
169	900	169	900	Request for expedited examination of a design application	

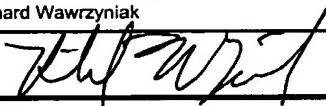
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\$40.

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